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SUBJ: SMITHSONIAN - BHUTAN EXPEDITION

REF: STATE 83585 MAY 12, 1972

ATTN: SCIENCE ATTACHE

1. SECRETARY RIPLEY MAKING SCIENTIFIC EXPEDITION TO BHUTAN AT INVITATION PRINCE NAMGYAL WANGCHUK. SUPPLIES TOTALLING TWENTY SEVEN BOXES WERE SHIPPED TODAY AIR FREIGHT TO CALCUTTA VIA PANAM. AS REQUESTED BY MILLS BOXES ADDRESSED TO RIPLEY CARE BHUTAN STATE TRADING CORPORATION, CALCUTTA, ATTENTION DIRECTOR DAWA PENJORE.

2. SHIPPING LIST AND INVOICE AIR MAILED TODAY TO CONGEN CALCUTTA FOR DAWA PENJORE. COPIES TO MILLS AND PRINCE NAMGYAL.

3. SMITHSONIAN SHOULD BE BILLED FOR STCB CHARGES.

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4. CRATE 21 CONTAINES TWO 16 GUAGE DOUBLE BARRELL SHOT GUNS.

ONE MADE BY W.W. GREENER, SERIAL 66968; OTHER MADE BY PARKER
SERIAL 111728.

5. CRATE 22 CONTAINS 550 SHOT GUN SHELLS 16 GAUGE AS FOLLOWS: 350
#12 SHOT, 100 #10 SHOT, 50 #6 SHOT, 50 #4 SHOT.

6. CRATE 23 CONTAINS 400 SHOT GUN SHELLS 20 GAUGE AS FOLLOWS:
200 #9 SHOT AND 200 #4SHOT. (NOTE: THESE ITEMS FOR USE OF
DR. SALIM ALI, WHO PROVIDED EMBASSY WITH NECESSARY DATA ON
OWN GUN.) CRATE ALSO CONTAINS BARRELS AS FOLLOWS:
600 OF 32 CALIBRE AND 100 OF 22 CALIBRE.

7. PACKAGE 25 CONTAINS 4 PLASTIC BOTTLES WITH ALCOHOLIC SOLUTION
FOR PRESERVATION BIRD SPECIMENS.

8. PACKAGE 26 CONTAINS 1 JAR ARSENIC AND ALUM.

9. INNER LINE PERMITS FOR RIPLEY, WIFE AND TWO DAUGHTERS REQUESTED
THROUGH INDIAH EMBASSY, WASHINGTON. INDIAN VISAS WILL BE
REQUESTED NEARER DEPARTURE DATE. BHUTANESE VISAS REQUESTED
DIRECTLY THROUGH MINISTRY OF FOREIGN AFFAIRS, THIMPU.

ACTION REQUESTED:

A. EMBASSY REQUESTED OBTAIN NECESSARY PERMITS FOR GUNS AND
AMMUNITION.

B. CONGEN CALCUTTA REQUESTED EXPEDITE CLEARANCE SHIPMENT
SOONEST FOR ONWARD TRANSPORT TO PHUNTSOLING. (NOTE: RIPLEY
OMITTING THIMPU AT BHUTANESE REQUEST.) ROGERS

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